

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 29 are presently pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1 – 11 and 20 – 29 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 12 – 19 were allowed. Claims 1, 22, 24, 26 and 28 were indicated as being allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 2 – 11, 20, 21, 23, 25, 27 and 29 were indicated as being allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections thereof under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

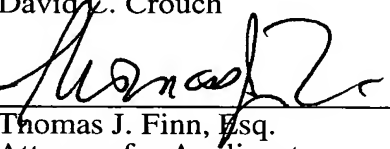
The indication of allowed and allowable subject matter is gratefully acknowledged.

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended Claims 1, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, and 28 have been amended to address the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Accordingly, Claims 1 – 11 and 20 – 29 should now be allowable as well.

Hence, the Application should be in proper form for allowance and issue. Reconsideration, allowance and passage to issue are therefore respectfully requested.

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